

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **JIM CASE MEMORIAL DEDICATION**

Sunday, March 22 at Caine Halter YMCA

*Greenville, SC* – Willie Baker Case, known to all as “Billie,” long wanted to create a memorial to her husband, James C. (Jim) Case, a World War II Navy veteran. At the same time she wanted to create a fitting memorial for all veterans of the Armed Forces.

Billie, who died in 2006, several years after her husband, was very proud of him. She believed he epitomized the selfless service and dedication of “America’s Greatest Generation.” Jim enlisted in the Navy before WW II. He served during the War in the submarine force in the Pacific theatre and continued in the Navy Reserve afterwards for a combined total of over 38 years of service. Billie was also a WW II veteran who served in the Coast Guard Women’s Auxiliary, known as the SPARS.

After the War, while Jim served his country in the Reserve, he became the principal manager at the Greenville Printing Company, and after retirement devoted his personal time to teaching in an adult literacy program.

Jim and Billie were long-time members and advocates for the YMCA and the YWCA in Greenville. Thus, the Caine Halter Family YMCA is a fitting location for a memorial. At 2:00 PM on Sunday, March 22 at the Caine Halter Branch at 721 Cleveland Street, the Case family will dedicate a pair of benches within a landscaped area beside the walking track to Jim Case. The site was created as a quiet place for personal reflection to honor him and all who served their country.

The Greenville community, and of course, its veterans, are all invited to join the Case family and friends to celebrate Jim Case at the memorial site –the fulfillment of Billie’s dream--a site dedicated to the commitment their generation made to “service beyond self.”

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